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# FORCE REPORT



**FORCM Roberts, Director Hospital Corps:**

## OPERATIONALLY READY:

In addition to the Summer Safety briefs, PCS season, and holiday celebrations, take a moment to recognize that Navy Medicine has mobilized in nearly every capacity across the Fleet. Currently, the USNS Mercy is leading the way in the 17th Annual Pacific Partnership. Working with the United Kingdom, Australia, Japan, and others, Navy Medicines exchanges medical expertise and strengthens international teamwork to provide the best possible humanitarian assistance!

Our Sailors have also been at the forefront of exercises supporting the 28th Rim of the Pacific Exercise (RIMPAC). 26 Nations are participating in this year's largest international maritime exercise. And Navy Medicine has been practicing its skills in coordination alongside the Fleet's conduction of exercises, including anti-air, submarine, mine, and piracy simulations.

We also have Sailors in the heart of the Middle East providing Role-II support during operations within their area of responsibility. Navy Medicine is everywhere! If you're not ready, you better get there!

*People,  
Platforms,  
Performance,  
Power*





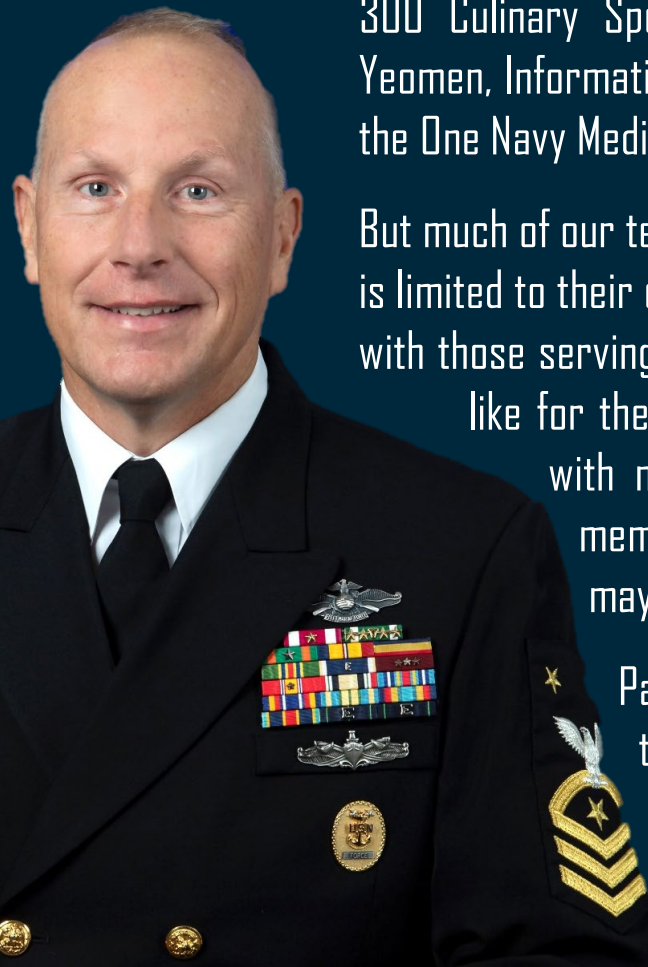
# FORCM's THOUGHTS

## FORCM Roberts, Director Hospital Corps:

When we think of Navy Medicine, many of us think of the medical team, Physicians, Nurses, and Corpsmen. This is especially true when working at an MTF; it's easy to forget the "Navy" in Navy Medicine. Our Navy has 93 enlisted ratings. Navy Medicine itself has 38 different ratings, including over 300 Culinary Specialists, nearly 200 Logistical Specialists, and numerous Personnel Specialists, Yeomen, Information Systems Technicians, Seabees, Gunner's Mates, and much more. Together, we are the One Navy Medicine team!

But much of our team is comprised of first-term Corpsmen. Corpsmen whose relationship with the Navy is limited to their experiences within their MTF. For those Sailors, I encourage you to seek out and speak with those serving in these other ratings. Ask them about their background in the Navy. What was life like for them before joining Navy Medicine? Many of them will likely have unique stories to tell with new and interesting experiences for you to consider. Those experiences are the memories they will carry with them after moving on from Navy Medicine. Their stories may inspire you to create memories of your own!

Passing on stories and lessons learned is ingrained in the culture of the Navy. Relating to each other builds teams and reminds us that we belong to something greater. Whether you joined the Navy for schooling and travel or if you joined because the slogans were irresistible. We're all one team, and there's so much more Navy Medicine has to offer.





# CAREER COUNSELOR CORNER

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## Online Professional Military Education (PME)

U.S. Naval War College (NWC) offers professional military education (PME) courses delivered via the My Navy Portal (MNP) for officers, enlisted, and Department of Navy civilians. These courses are designed to provide learners with a 24/7 worldwide PME experience at milestones in their careers. Dynamic and engaging, these courses are designed to increase professional knowledge, hone an understanding of the art of naval science and joint operations, and enable the service member to engage in the joint environment effectively.

### Primary PME

The Primary PME (officer and enlisted) courses are designed to provide a common educational baseline for junior officers (CW02 to O4) and senior enlisted (E7 to E9) across the spectrum of professional military education as identified by the Officer Professional Military Education Program/Enlisted Professional Military Education Program (OPMEP/EPMEP) and fleet requirements. The courses consist of approximately 70 contact hours of education and are tailored to each community. Where appropriate, they address community specific lessons. *Note: The Primary PME (Enlisted) course is a prerequisite for attending the Senior Enlisted Academy (SEA).*

### Basic PME

The Basic PME enlisted course was developed to create a common PME experience for all petty officers at the E5 to E6 level regardless of rate or warfare community. This course was created to serve as the foundation for the Primary Enlisted course and to build upon the Introductory PME enlisted course. This course addresses learning objectives identified by the EPMEP and fleet requirements, providing approximately 40 contact hours of education.

### Introductory PME

The Introductory PME enlisted course was developed to provide entry-level education and to serve as a common PME baseline for all Sailors. Designed for learners E1 to E4, this course is approximately 20 contact hours in length and serves as the foundation for a Sailor's PME experience. This course is designed to meet the learning objectives identified by the EPMEP and fleet requirements.

All Online PME courses can be accessed through Navy e-Learning. Enrollment in an Online PME course is the same as any other course in Navy e-Learning. Learners' progress through the courses is bookmarked, enabling them to return to the point in the course where they logged off. Navy e-Learning automatically updates a learner's electronic training jacket to document course completion.

# HM ENLISTED TECHNICAL LEADERS

## *What is an ETL?*

ETLs are the **Subject Matter Experts** who represent their NECs. These experts play a vital role in strategic planning and provide deck plate information required for resolving issues and implementing appropriate policy. To harness this pool of talent, and to ensure that the enlisted perspective is represented, BUMED has developed and implemented the ETL Program. The ETL is an advisory position only and is not intended to dilute primary, legal, or regulatory responsibilities of the Navy's command structure.

## **IMMEDIATE ETL POSITIONS NEEDED**

Hemodialysis Technician  
Cardiovascular Technician  
Respiratory Technician  
Adv. X-Ray Technician

Surface IDC  
Electroneurodiagnostic Technologist  
Dental Hygienist Technician

## **INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ETL?**

More Information can be found in BUMEDINST 5420.13D or by contacting the Hospital

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# ***RATING IN THE SPOTLIGHT***

## ***Culinary Specialist (CS): B650***



Culinary Specialists receive extensive training in culinary arts, hotel management, and other areas within the hospitality industry. They also provide food service, catering, and hospitality services for Admirals, and senior government executives within the White House Mess, including the President of the United States. This rating is responsible for all aspects of the dining (shipboard mess decks) and shore duty living areas. Culinary Specialists work in the “heart of the ship” and are vital in maintaining high crew morale on ships, construction battalions, and every shore base.

Culinary Specialists work in the kitchen, dining areas, bachelor quarters, living quarters, and food service storerooms aboard ships, shore bases, construction battalions, and designated aircraft. The work is physical, creative, and mentally challenging, in which one has to be flexible and versatile in their daily duties.

### **INCENTIVES**

- Class “A” Technical School (5 weeks) in Fort Lee, VA, for instruction and training in food preparation, nutrition, and dining service.
- After “A” School, Culinary Specialist Submarines (CSS) candidates will continue their training:
- Basic Enlisted Submarine School (9 weeks) in Groton, CT, for training in basic submarine systems. Note that this training is only for Culinary Specialists in Submarines.
- Advanced training - Also be available during later stages of your career. Officer roles may be available for those with further leadership aspirations and a college degree, providing opportunities to lead and train others.





# BRAVO ZULU

JOB WELL DONE!



HMI VICTOR J. PENA, NAVY MEDICINE TRAINING SUPPORT CENTER

Serving as the lead instructor of Advanced Radiology and Nuclear Medicine Technician, Phase II program at Navy Medicine Training Support Center Detachment Portsmouth, Virginia. Force multiplier, responsible for the oversight and instruction of 1,200 Phase II training hours. In addition to his primary duty, he is also serving as Portsmouth Detachment's Leading Petty Officer, leading, mentoring, and advising 13 active duty instructors, civilians, and 388 preceptors across 5 geographically separated training sites supporting 150 Sailors spanning eight different programs. His commitment to his Sailors is a superb example of deckplate leadership and Sailorization. BRAVO ZULU HMI!



PRI MICHELLE ALVAREZ, NAVAL SURVIVAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

A vital member of the Naval Survival Training Institute's, Director of Safety and Standardization (DOSS) Team, she was responsible for the accountability and inspection of \$12.5M of Aviation Life Support System (ALSS) training assets across eight Aviation Survival Training Centers. Her professionalism and thorough evaluation of the safety program at ASTC Miramar and Lemoore were second to none, and led to her recognition by Navy Medical Forces Support Command during a safety brief provided to Rear Admiral Kuehner on May 9, 2022. Her thorough and competent evaluation, ensured the continued safety of 290 staff and operational readiness to over 14,000 warfighters annually in the execution of 27 Chief of Naval Operations directed, high-risk aviation survival training classes. BRAVO ZULU, PRI!

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JOB WELL DONE!



**HM2 BLYTHE N. TURNEY**  
**NAVY EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL UNIT 106**

Forward deployed with the Navy Expeditionary Medical Unit 106 Rotation 12, Erbil Iraq. As the Respiratory Therapist and SME, she led four Corpsmen in the Role-2, COVID-19 testing site overseeing the collection and testing of 150 samples which mitigated the exposure and spread of COVID-19 onboard Erbil Air Base. As the Casualty Receiving LPO, she led eight Sailors in the execution of 11 Mass casualty exercises resulting in nine after action process improvements. Liaising with Role 1 assets, she developed an oxygen tank exchange program decreasing delays for oxygen replenishment for US and Coalition Forces across a 150-mile radius. Furthermore, as the Co-Lead for the 124th Hospital Corps Birthday, HM2 led 13 Corpsman in the coordination and flawless execution of the event, supporting 90 US and Coalition Forces promoting Esprit De Corps abroad! BRAVO ZULU, HM2!



**HM2 ADALBERTO J. ROSARIO,**  
**NAVAL MEDICAL LEADER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMAND**

An instructor at the Tri-Service Optician School, the Department of Defense's only optician and optical fabrication school, he demonstrated exceptional leadership, performance, and a "can-do" attitude, setting an example for the entire staff since reporting onboard. He focused on earning instructor and national certification in less than six months combined! Both accomplishments significantly increased school capability and contributed to a culture of excellence. Most recently, HM2 volunteered to assist in implementing a staff optometry clinic by mentoring and training three General Duty Corpsmen focused on daily optometry clinic operations, patient care, and much more. His commitment and initiative contributed significantly to professional development, improving NMRTC personnel readiness and Fleet support. BRAVO ZULU, HM2!

# FALLEN, BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN

## **Hospitalman Aaron D. Ullom**

20, Midland, MI. Died July 12, 2011, Supporting Combat Operations in Afghanistan. 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 8, 2nd Marine Division.

## **Hospital Corpsman Third Class Travis L/ Youngblood**

26, Surrency, GA. Died July 21, 2005. Supporting Combat Operations in Iraq. Assigned to I MEF (Forward), Naval Hospital Great Lakes, IL

## **Hospitalman Daniel S. Noble**

21, Whittier, CA. Died July 24, 2007, Supporting Combat Operations in Iraq. 1st Marine Division.





# FAIR WINDS AND



# FOLLOWING SEAS

HM1 GRAY, JASPER	HM1 LANIA, MAYBELLE	HM1 GORUM, EVERETT	HM1 RANDALL, DANIELLE
HM1 DASHER, SHANELIA	HM1 DAVIS, NISKANETE	HM1 DUENAS, MICHAEL	HM1 SMITH, CHANNING
HM1 MCMAHAN, BRANDON	HM1 SANTAANA, ERNESTO	HM1 GAUTHREAUX, CLIFTON	HM1 HOBSON, GREGORY
HM1 CHESTNUT, ALICIA	HM1 FURTADO, BRADLEY	HM1 FRASER, DUNCAN	HM1 ASUNCION, ANNE
HM1 RODRIGUEZ, SERGIO	HM1 STALLS, KEWAUNA	HM1 LACSON, CHRISTIAN	HM1 DELGADO, CARY
HM1 ROSS, JENNIFER	HM1 PAUL, CHRISTOPHER	HM2 YOHN, RYAN	HMC VIERS, LOGAN
HMC LIWAG, ELSON	HMC MONTGOMERY, JAINEA	HMC LEISINGER, SEAVER	HMC SCOTT, JOSHUA
HMC MALTEZO, MERLY	HMC COURTNEY, LAWRENCE	HMC YELLAND, MICHAEL	HMC AGORRILLA, CLAUDE
HMC WHITE, DANIEL	HMC CANO, DAVID	HMC HRADIL, JUSTIN	HMC MORRISON, GEORGE
HMC MCGOWEN, DANIEL	HMC VIDAL, GEORGE	HMCS RAIFORD, LOUIS	HMCS QUIROS, AMADOR
HMCS HALL, JASON	HMCS HANDLEY, MARQUITA	HMCS HUNTER, JEFFERY	HMCS MARIN, MARK
HMCM BURKHOLDER, TODD			HMCM RITTER, REESE

**For many years these sailors stood the watch. While some of us were in our bunks at night these sailors stood the watch.**

**While some of us were in school learning our trade these shipmates stood the watch.**

**Yes.. even before some of us were born into this world these shipmates stood the watch.**

**In those years when the storm clouds of war were seen brewing on the horizon of history these shipmates stood the watch.**

**Many times they would cast an eye ashore and see their family standing there,  
needing their guidance and help, needing that hand to hold during those hard times but they still stood the watch.**

**They stood the watch for twenty years or more.**

**They stood the watch so that we, our families and our fellow countrymen could sleep soundly in safety, each and every night,  
knowing that a Sailor stood the watch. Today we are here to say,**

**Shipmate... the watch stands relieved.**

**Relieved by those you have trained ,guided, and led.**

**Shipmate you stand relieved..**

# WE HAVE THE WATCH

# OFFICE OF THE HOSPITAL CORPS



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